

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Before the
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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Bulk Parcel Return Service)
Expedited Minor Classification Case)

Docket No. MC99-4

OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
RESPONSE TO REQUEST OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR
SCHEDULING OF SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE
(June 21, 1999)

The Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA) hereby responds to the June 18, 1999, request of the United States Postal Service for a brief recess for a settlement conference immediately after convening the prehearing conference scheduled for June 24, 1999.

On the morning of June 24, OCA is presenting a morning workshop and a settlement conference creates a scheduling conflict for the staff assigned to this docket. OCA therefore respectfully requests that the settlement conference be scheduled either for the afternoon of June 24 or the previous day, June 23, or such other time as may be mutually agreed to by the parties at the prehearing conference.

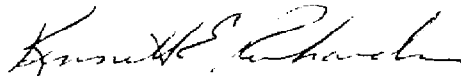
Respectfully submitted,


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the rules of practice.


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